

amount based on the formula tied to population.)

*Native American and Native Hawaiian Library Services Grants*

For FY 1999, \$2,908,000 is available for these programs.

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For FY 1999, \$10,565,000 is available for competitive grants in this program.

**Application Forms**

IMLS mails application forms and program information in General Operating Support, Conservation Project Support, Museum Leadership Initiatives, Native American and Native Hawaiian Library Services Grants, National Leadership Grants and Professional Services Program application packets to libraries, museums, and other institutions on its mailing list as appropriate. Applicants may obtain application packets by writing, emailing, or telephoning the Institute of Museum and Library Services, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506. For Library programs call (202) 606-5227. For museum programs call (202) 606-8540. For e-mail, write to [imlsinfo@imls.fed.us](mailto:imlsinfo@imls.fed.us). Application forms are available on the agency's website <http://www.imls.fed.us/>.

To receive an application for the Conservation Assessment Program contact Heritage Preservation, 3299 K Street, NW, Suite 403, Washington, DC 20007 (202) 625-1495.

To receive an application for the Museum Assessment Programs contact the American Association of Museums, 1575 Eye Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005 (202) 289-1818.

To receive an application for the Grants to States program, contact your State Library Administrative Agency.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 45.301 Institute of Museum and Library Services)

(Museum and Library Services Act of 1996, Pub. L. 104-208 as amended)

Dated: October 27, 1998.

**Mamie Bittner,**

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

[Docket No. STN 50-456]

**Commonwealth Edison Company; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License**

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Commonwealth Edison Company (ComEd, the licensee) to withdraw its August 30, 1996, application for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-72 for the Braidwood Station, Unit 1, located in Will County, Illinois.

The proposed amendment would revise TS 3/4.4.5 to allow continued operation of Unit 1 for the remainder of Cycle 6, provided that the projected distributions of indications found in the top of the steam generators' roll transitions resulting from the reanalysis of previous non-destructive testing data results in a probability of burst less than  $1 \times 10^{-2}$  and predicted leakage less than the site allowable leak limit.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on September 6, 1996 (61 FR 47214). However, by letter dated May 11, 1998, ComEd withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated August 30, 1996, and the licensee's letter dated May 11, 1998, which withdrew the application for license amendment. The above documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Wilmington Public Library, 201 S. Kankakee Street, Wilmington, Illinois 60481.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 26th day of October 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

[Docket Nos. STN 50-454, STN 50-455, STN 50-456, and STN 50-457]

**Commonwealth Edison Company; Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses, Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination, and Opportunity for a Hearing**

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of amendments to Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-37 and NPF-66, issued to Commonwealth Edison Company (ComEd, the licensee) for operation of Byron Station, Units 1 and 2, located in Ogle County, Illinois and Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-72 and NPF-77, issued to ComEd for operation of Braidwood Station, Units 1 and 2, located in Will County, Illinois.

This notification addresses the beyond scope bracketed items identified in the requested amendments dated December 13, 1996. The proposed amendments would revise current Technical Specifications (CTS) of each unit to conform with NUREG-1431, Revision 1, "Standard Technical Specifications—Westinghouse Plants." The following descriptions and proposed no significant hazard analyses cover only those beyond scope bracketed changes. Associated with each change are administrative/editorial changes such that the new or revised requirements would fit the format of NUREG-1431.

1. CTS Limiting Condition of Operation (LCO) 3.2.2 ensures compliance with  $F_Q$  fuel design limits by a bounding analysis that is verified in the plant by monitoring a height dependent radial peaking factor  $F_{XY}(Z)$ . The CTS denotes associated LCOs, Actions, and Surveillance Requirements (SRs) for the  $F_{XY}(Z)$  methodology. Improved Technical Specification (ITS) LCO 3.2.1 denotes associated LCOs, Actions, and SRs for a method based on an equilibrium  $F_Q(Z)$  surveillance ( $F_Q(Z)W(Z)$  methodology). The proposed methodology change provides more available margin to the  $F_Q(Z)$  limit than is currently available with the  $F_{XY}(Z)$  surveillance methodology. The  $F_{XY}(Z)$  methodology is based on a 1 dimension-2 dimension synthesis of data whereas the  $F_Q(Z)W(Z)$  methodology is a more advanced 3 dimension calculation. ComEd proposes to replace the  $F_{XY}(Z)$  method by the  $F_Q(Z)W(Z)$  method. NUREG-1431 provides the option for either the  $F_{XY}(Z)$  methodology or the  $F_Q(Z)W(Z)$  methodology. The revised